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THE CUSTOM HOUSE.

EDITOR CITIZEN:—The editor of
the *Southside Sentinel* appears to be
very much concerned about the
agitation of the question of removing
the Custom House from Tappahan-
nock to Reedville. He says that
"Urbanna or Irvington would be
more accessible to a larger number
of vessel owners than Reedville."

Urbanna is about a third of the
way from Windmill Light to Tappa-
hannock, and if a vessel is compelled
to enter the Rappahannock it is but
very little more trouble to keep on
to Tappahannock instead of enter-
ing Urbanna Creek. Of course Ir-
vington is better than Urbanna, be-
cause of its being nearer the mouth
of the river and to Reedville. As
the distance from Tappahannock in-
creases to points nearer and nearer
Reedville the advantages to be gained
increase in proportion until the latter
point is reached. Reedville has no
more natural advantages than any
other place in the Customs' district.
It has deep water and a plenty of it.
The Custom House is the only favor
ever asked of Congress by the people.
Urbanna and other points are eter-
nally seeking an appropriation for
digging out the various shallow
reefs on which they are situated.
Reedville does none of this. It does
not ask the custom house as a favor
to help bolster its industries, nor as a
"plum" for its politicians, for it does
not need it. But it does ask, and it
is the only thing, that its many ad-
vantages over all other places in the
customs district shall be impartially
investigated, and that the almost ob-
solete customs office be removed there
if it shall be found that it is the
most suitable and convenient place
for it. That and all that. Reedville
has no hating politicians (they live
in other parts of the country), but it
is straight business, and makes this
custom house removal as a plain
businesslike proposal, because of the
peculiar fitness of the place for the
accommodation of the vessels owned
in the district.

The *Sentinel* says further: "Not
a vessel owner on the Rappahannock
favors the change, and we can sit at
our desk and count more than one
hundred such gentlemen."

The *Sentinel* must have exception-
al facilities for counting, and a most
extended acquaintance among the
sails of the Rappahannock, to be
able to count more than one hundred
vessel owners on that river; but then
the owners may be ten or a dozen to
one vessel, on an average, and not
one man to each vessel. One hun-
dred vessels and one hundred owners
of vessels are different things alto-
gether.

This writer is not so familiar with
the number of vessel owners, and nec-
essarily his counting powers are
somewhat limited when he depends
on his acquaintances or imagination.
So he has only to rely upon the
trifling facts of an official record
of the custom house at Tappahan-
nock for his figures.

In the list of vessels and steamers
registered at Tappahannock, a copy
of which is before the writer, Urba-
na is credited with being the resi-
dence of the owners of fourteen ves-
sels. The same list gives to Reed-
ville and Fairport and vicinity about
one-fourth of the entire number reg-
istered in the district, and to North-
umberland county alone about one-
half of the whole number. Then
the Potomac side of Westmoreland
borders up with more than thirty
to its credit. So, you see, the *Senti-
nel* will please excuse us for prefer-
ring the official record to the
editorial returning board, unless, in-
deed, the Rappahannock vessels are
each owned by a separate syndicate;
then, of course, we are ready to apolo-
gize.

GEORGE H. SMITH,
Sunnybank, Va.

A Widow's Description of Love.

"Love? Why, love is love is—"
The widow hesitated a moment.

"Well, if one is falling in love for
the first time, a preliminary uneasiness,
in most cases, is experienced
such as one has never felt before; at
the same time the mind begins to
dwell constantly upon one person,
and the haunting vision cannot be
banished.

"Very soon the judgment becomes
perverted, the brain of the victim
loses all sense of perspective and
proportion, and he views the beloved
being through defective intellectual
lenses, which not only magnify the
merit of the loved one, but surround
even her very faults with a roscate
aureole that converts them from
faults to virtues. When one is in
love, defects of character are not
noticed on the rays of affection and
resolve them into a rainbow of beau-
tiful tints."

"At this stage jealousy makes its
appearance, if it has not already
done so. Without the slightest cause
the lover often becomes jealous of
every man who receives a smile or
pleasant look. In his heart he
viciously terms the most innocent
and worthy people fools and flatter-
ers. He treasures worthless trifles like
soiled gloves and faded flowers as if
they were of priceless value. Some-

times, if he is at all weak-minded, he
writes verses on these small keepsakes.

There is almost stage-
wonder how he ever endured to exist
before he met the object of his devo-
tion. As for the future, he feels
sure that all the pleasures that fame
and riches can bestow will have but
the taste of Dead Sea fruit, of dust
and ashes, unless he marries his
heart's choice."

As she ended the widow's voice
became very low and soft, her eyes
fell, and I wondered if she were
thinking of me, or one of her three
dead husbands.—*Samuel McIntire*
Peck, in the *July New Lippincott.*

HON. CLAUDE A. SWANSON.

Who was last week, for the fifth
time, nominated by acclamation for
Congress in the Fifth Virginia Dis-
trict. Congressman Swanson is not
yet forty years of age, and the pros-
pects now are that before reaching
that point, should he live, he will
have been chosen Governor of this
state.

THE SHAH OF PERSIA.

The Shah of Persia, who is mak-
ing a tour of Europe, will pay his
respects to Queen Victoria this
month. This is the monarch who, on
a former visit to England, expressed
a desire to witness an execution at
Newgate Prison. No subject being
on hand, the Oriental monarch cor-
tously offered any member of his
suite to serve as an object lesson. He
was disappointed, because the offi-
cials of the jail declined with thanks
his courteous offer.

**JERRY SIMPSON'S NEW
CATECHISM.**

Who was the author of the Declara-
tion of Independence?
Answer—Thomas Jefferson.

Who destroyed that declaration?
William McKinley.

Who overcame the money power
and destroyed the United States Bank?
Andrew Jackson.

Who turned the United States
treasury over to the national banks
and gave one of them the use of
\$10,000,000 without interest?
William McKinley.

Who destroyed slavery in the
United States?
Abraham Lincoln.

Who re-established it by protecting
it in our domain?
William McKinley.

Who promulgated the Monroe
doctrine?
James Monroe.

Who destroyed the Monroe doc-
trine?
William McKinley.

Who declared that the United
States should have no entangling
alliance?
George Washington.

Who is trying to mix up the po-
litics of the old world by a war for
greed, gold and glory?
William McKinley.

Who discovered the Philippine
islands?
Jeremiah Beveridge.

Who discovered Aguinaldo?
Admiral Dewey.

Who discovered the Sultan of Sulu?
William McKinley.

Who discovered McKinley?
Mark Hanna.

Who discovered Mark Hanna?
The devil.

What is the difference between
King George's war against the
American colonies and Queen Vic-
toria's war against the Dutch in
South Africa?
There isn't any.

What is the difference between
Queen Victoria's war in South Africa
and McKinley's war in the Philip-
pines?
No difference.

—*Jerry Simpson's Bayonet.*

**A WOMAN SHOULD DRESS
HER BEST AT HOME.**

(*July Ladies Home Journal.*)

At home a woman should be guid-
ed in her manner of dressing by an
even greater desire to please than
elsewhere. Her husband may be the
most unobtrusive man, but he
will know when she looks neat and
attractive, with hair newly dressed,
and some pretty arrangement about
the bodice of her gown. The prac-
tice of wearing soiled finery at home
cannot be too strongly deprecated.

Greet Him With a Smile.

Ifs body meet a body.
Going through the town,
Need a body snub a body—
Greet him with a frown?
Every man has got his troubles—
Which he can beguile—
Throw care away when friends you meet
And greet them with a "smile."

CHINESE EMPEROR'S SUICIDE.

The rebel Prince Tuan, com-
mander-in-chief of the Boxers, hav-
ing gained control of Peking and assumed
the imperial power, has, it is said,
with Oriental courtesy, granted to
the rightful Emperor and the
Empress Dowager the privilege, due
to persons of their rank, of selecting
their mode of death and becoming
their own executioners. They have
not been subjected to the indignity
of being put to death by others, but
have been allowed to take poison,
with the result that the Emperor is
dead and the Empress is in a critical
condition. Their position had be-
come impossible. They were in the
hands of a victorious rebel, and there
was no option of life left to them.
They accordingly faced the inevitable
in the most dignified manner within
their power.

Similar suicides were common
under the rule of the Roman Em-
perors, every man of high rank
taking his own life whenever, owing
to his own indiscreet utterances or
the tyrant's caprice, his political
position was seriously compromised.
Sometimes the citizen who felt that
he had offended the Emperor rose in
rebellion and struck for the imperial
power, but few were in a position
to attempt to win the Empire, and the
rule was to commit suicide at the
least intimation from the palace that
he had become a *persona non grata*.
The Sultan of Turkey used to send a
bowstring to subjects whose lives or
properties were wanted, and the
dutiful subject was expected to
strangle himself instantly. At
present he imprisons such "reformers"
as he can catch, but voluntary exile
is nowadays a resource. Siberia
will recently the destiny of Russian
politicians having ideas unpalatable
to the Czar, unless suicide relieved
the suspected from the terrors of the
Pole. Among the Japanese under
the old regime *hari kari* was com-
mon. The spirited Japanese noble-
man stabbed himself rather than
submit to the least slight, whether
from the Emperor or from his equal.
The Orientals generally seem to value
life less than Westerners do. At
any rate they inflict death upon
themselves and others upon grounds
that often appear to us to be trivial.
Much depends, no doubt, on the
point of view.—*Baltimore Sun.*

OPPERBEVELHEER Roberts.

General Roberts' proclamations to
the Boers on May 24, announcing
the annexation of the Orange State
and warning the burghers against
the wanton destruction of property,
are published in the Bloemfontein
Post in English and Dutch, and the
Dutch version is both interesting and
instructive. Oom Paul is avenged
in the titles General Roberts gets in
Dutch. Field Marshal becomes
"Veldmarschall" and Commander-
in-Chief becomes "Oppebevelheb-
ber." The Commander-in-Chief of
the British Army in South Africa
has to confess himself to be an "Op-
pebevelhebber der Britsche Krij-
macht in Zuid Africa" and to attest
the fact by adding "Gegeven onder
mijn hand en zegel ten (at the)
Hoofdkwartier Kamp" in the year
"Een Duizend en Negen Honderd." There
are other would-be masters
besides Lord Roberts, and if Presi-
dent McKinley does not soon begin
to do better he will find himself
classed with the Oppebevelhebber
of South Africa.—*Baltimore Sun.*

People Who Eat No Meat.

In India, China, Japan and ad-
jacent countries there are about
400,000,000 people strong, active
and long-lived, who eat no meat.
The Turkish porter, on a daily ra-
tion of rice and dates, will jog along
with bent back under a load that
would crush the average American.
Darwin tells us that the natives of
the Andes, in South America, do a
day's work of 400 foot tons, nearly
twice the work of an ordinary laborer,
on a diet of bananas.

**"KETCH-AWL" FROM EVERY-
WHERE.**

THE BENCH AND BAR.

It has not been so long ago when
the writer happened to be in a coun-
try town in the Valley when a law case
was called. A postponement was
asked on account of the chief counsel
for the defendant. The continuance
was promptly granted, though there
were fourteen witnesses, living miles
away, in waiting—eight on one side
and six on the other. The absent
counsel had gone on a fishing excu-
sion! But he had left behind him
the mite but eloquent appeal of two
visits to Richmond to secure the re-
election of this Judge. Had this
Judge depended on the popular vote
for his election, this would never
have happened, and yet it was some-
thing that excited no surprise in any-
body in the court-room.—*Charlottesville
Progress.*

There is no more accounting for
the morbid interest some persons
take in murderers than there is in
disputing tastes. It is not always
confined to weak minded persons,
and its manifestation is not exclu-
sively among cranks, though it ex-

**hibits itself principally among these
two classes. The more heinous and
revolting the crime the surer it is to
evoke this sentimental sympathy, es-
pecially if it is tinged with the base-
ness of ingratitude and treachery.**